



PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 03063.0398-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Hao A. Chen et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1774
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Application No.: 09/930,705	)	Examiner: Dixon, Merrick L.
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Filed: June 29, 2001	)	
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For: SURFACE COVERINGS	)	Confirmation No.: 3770
CONTAINING ALUMINUM OXIDE	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 19, 2006, the period for response having been extended to November 19, 2006, (being a Sunday) by the petition and fee filed herewith, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

**I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-5, 7, and 9-59 are currently pending, although the Examiner has withdrawn from consideration claims 14-29 as being drawn to a non-elected invention. No claim has been amended by the response.